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TAGS: ETRD; MTN

SUBJECT: NON-TARIFF MEASURES SUBGROUP "CUSTOMS MATTERS"

1. THE FOLLOWING GATT AIRGRAM (GATT/AIR/1259) WAS
RECEIVED TODAY:

QUOTE 1. THE SUB-GROUP "CUSTOMS MATTERS" WILL RECONVENE
AT 11 A.M. ON TUESDAY 16 MARCH 1976. THE MEETING WILL
BE HELD IN THE PALAIS DES NATIONS.

2. IT WILL BE RECALLED THAT THE SUB-GROUP AGREED
TO CONSIDER AT THIS MEETING THE MAIN ELEMENTS OF POSSI-
BLE NEW INTERNATIONAL RULES ON PRINCIPLES ON CUSTOMS
VALUATION AND THAT THE FOLLOWING SPECIFIC ISSUES WOULD
BE DISCUSSED:

(A) JUDICIAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW
PROCEDURES;

(B) PUBLICATION OF LAWS, REGULATIONS AND
ADMINISTRATIVE DECISIONS;

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(C) PRECISE AND FAIR HANDLING OF NON-ARM'S

LENGTH TRANSACTIONS;

(D) NEUTRALITY OF VALUATION SYSTEM/SYSTEMS.

3. THE SUB-GROUP ALSO AGREED THAT THE WRITTEN SUB-MISSIONS CONTAINED IN MTN/NTM/W/20 AND ADDENDA WOULD CONSTITUTE THE BASIS FOR THE DISCUSSION AND THAT PARTICIPANTS WOULD BE FREE TO INTRODUCE ELEMENTS CONTAINED IN THE AD REFERENDUM SOLUTION ON CUSTOMS VALUATION REPRODUCED IN ANNEX 1 TO DOCUMENT MTN/NTM/W/7. COMMENTS RECEIVED ON THE SPECIFIC ISSUES LISTED IN PARAGRAPH 2 ABOVE ARE BEING CIRCULATED IN DOCUMENT MTN/NTM/W/33 AND ADDENDA.

4. IT WILL ALSO BE RECALLED THAT THE SUB-GROUP AGREED TO HAVE AN EXTENSIVE AND DETAILED EXCHANGE OF VIEWS, INTER ALIA, ON ASPECTS OF POLICY CONSIDERATIONS UNDERLYING IMPORT DUCUMENTATION REQUIREMENTS AND TO REVERT TO THE QUESTION OF CONSULAR FORMALITIES AND FEES. A REVISED VERSION OF DOCUMENT MTN/NTM/W/22 WILL BE CIRCULATED SHORTLY. THE TEXT OF THE ECE RECOMMENDATION ON AN ALIGNED INVOICE LAYOUT KEY FOR INTERNATIONAL TRADE HAS BEEN CIRCULATED AS DOCUMENT MTN/NTM/W/34.

5. THE SUB-GROUP ALSO AGREED TO REVERT TO CUSTOMS PROCEDURES, I.E. THE QUESTION OF DELAYS INCURRED IN THE FORMAL CUSTOMS CLEARANCE PROCESSES (MTN/NTM/W/23) AND THE QUESTION OF PENALTIES FOR ERRORS. UNQUOTE WALKER

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